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**Fish & Richardson P.C. Signs on As Sponsor of the
Chairmen's RoundTable**

- Law firm joins CRT in its support of the local business community -

San Diego, CA – November 17, 2004– The Chairmen's RoundTable (CRT), a non-profit volunteer organization that provides business advice and mentorship free of charge, today announced that the San Diego office of Fish & Richardson P.C., a national law firm practicing intellectual property, litigation, and corporate law, has signed on as a CRT sponsor.

"We are always looking for ways to support and nurture the business communities we serve," said Eddie Rodriguez, chair of Fish & Richardson's corporate law practice in San Diego. "The Chairmen's RoundTable provides an incredible service to local businesses. Its membership of over 40 highly- experienced CEOs share their insights and expertise with local executives for absolutely zero financial commitment. This is a way for CRT members to give back to the community, and supporting the CRT is a way for Fish & Richardson to do the same."

As part of its sponsorship, Fish & Richardson, P.C. hosts CRT's monthly meetings in its Del Mar Heights office. Each month a CRT client makes a presentation to the CRT membership after careful advance preparation under the mentorship of two CRT members. These presentations result in invaluable feedback for the CRT client that is assembled into a framework for a solution to critical business issues that have been identified.

"We have no hidden agendas," said Bob McRann, Chairman of the Chairmen's RoundTable. "That's the hardest point to get across when recruiting clients. They want to know when the other shoe is going to drop. It never does. We believe that strong businesses make a strong community. All of our members have had great success running San Diego businesses, we feel it's our time to give back to the community."

About Chairmen's RoundTable

The Chairmen's RoundTable is a non-profit volunteer organization comprised of over 40 Chief Executive Officers with extensive Board of Director experience and diverse industry backgrounds. They provide businesses in San Diego County priceless business advice and mentorship, free of charge, as a way of giving back to the community. CRT's well-defined mentoring program is ideal for companies at a strategic crossroads that are looking to gain an outside perspective on key business issues. To date, over 125 local companies have benefited from CRT's mentorship. For more information and to read about past client successes, please visit www.chairmensroundtable.com.

About Fish Richardson

Fish & Richardson is a national law firm of 320 lawyers serving clients in three mission-critical practice areas - intellectual property, litigation, and corporate law - from eight offices throughout the U.S. Nationally, the firm handles more patent litigation than any other law firm. In San Diego, the firm has 60 attorneys and ranks among the city's top 10 law firms. For more information, visit www.fr.com.

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